

Learning as an irksome employment  
 going to school an event full of  
 misery and woe and never think  
 of anything but how to shirk their  
 lessons & find time for play and idleness  
 the poor boys rejoice in their school  
 love the instruction they receive and  
 the punishment is so great to them  
 as exclusion from the school room

The result is a far greater aptitude to learn on the part of the poor than the rich.. That was <sup>the</sup> 80 years ago.

Then in Today's Sun - p. 7. Column 2 -  
Sir Martin Lunn says a few things  
which we know to be true about the  
appeal made by <sup>to children</sup> drawing of the old  
monks. & that if a child likes a  
picture, you may be sure there is  
something good in it

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Gerrilla in his Journal. part II Vol 2  
in the year 1842.

Went with Macanlay & L. John Russell to  
see the schools at Bathurst.  
-- Robert Eden's & Dr Kay's - Elementary.  
Macanlay examined the boys in  
Hist. & Geog. They answered in a  
way that would have put to shame most  
of the free people's children  
at Eden's school they learn reading  
writing arithmetic drawing history  
geography & certain matters connected  
with statistics. at Dr Kay's the  
same things with the higher branches  
of Mechanics & especially Music  
in which they are great proficient.

There is one striking contrast  
between the boys at Eden's School and  
the anti-slavery school boys - (who go through  
a certain process, this called Education  
which leaves boys at the end of it  
nearly as ignorant as at the  
beginning with the exception of the  
rudiments of Greek & Latin  
but while the latter consider



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For a certain no of boys in the  
same leisurely classes translation  
into verse, whatever be the  
language, whether ancient or modern,  
will never fail to be one of the most  
effective as well as the most  
attractive and invigorating exercises  
of the mind.

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